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Talk of...



...the Dell

Good afternoon and welcome back to the Dell for today's game against our Lancashire opponents Bolton who for my money looked one of the best teams we played against last season and as their results have indicated so far this term seem to be on course for another bite at the promotion cherry which probably eluded them last season as a result of some rousing cup games against Newcastle. What is a promotion course — after our first seven games of the season which produced three points it could be calculated that our next five multiples of each seven games needed to produce ten points from each multiple to put us in for a final 53 points. The fact that we fell one short of ten points in our last seven games came about by failing to collect only one point from the last three games after having achieved eight from the first four games. It still looks as if ten points from each seven games will be enough and with today's game being the first of our third seven game section of the season two points today are indeed vital. It must help to know that before the final seven game run into the end of the season that the ratio of home and away games is twelve at the Dell and nine away. Obviously everyone at the club is keen to reproduce the same kind of home form as last season and you can play your part in helping us to achieve this aim by really getting behind the team to let them know that you are as keen to achieve the same kind of success. So until we meet again, twice in four days early in December for the visits of Notts County and Chelsea, thank you all for coming and I trust you see an enjoyable game today with a couple of points going to you know who.

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Today's Visitors

BOLTON



It's no surprise to see Bolton Wanderers humming around the top of the table. They were desperately unlucky to lose out on the final day last season, after holding one of the top three places for most of the campaign, but they have now put that disappointment firmly behind them as they aim to make sure this time.

Bolton are, of course, one of the most famous clubs, having spent the major part of their life in the First Division.

The Trotters run as a top power really ended before the last war. Their only major post-War honours came in winning the F.A. Cup in 1958 and the Third Division championship in 1973. The latter honour is something they want to put behind them anyway for it only serves as a reminder of the club's only two campaigns as a Third Division club.

The Bolton club began as Christ Church Sunday School F.C. in 1874 but changed to its present title when members fell out with the vicar, who insisted all meetings must take place at his church. Instead, the headquarters were switched to a local pub! Only a few years later they began paying players — with 2.6d bonus when they won but half-a-crown knocked off their pay when they lost. They were fined 2d. for using bad language.

Bolton became original members of the Football League in 1888 and spent a total of 58 seasons in Division I.

It's in the F.A. Cup that Bolton have won most of their fame — winners four times (1923, 1926, 1929 and 1958), runners-up on three occasions (1894, 1904 and 1953). They appeared in 12 semi-finals. Yet in the Football League Cup they had never improved upon their first effort, in 1960/61, when they reached the last eight —

until of course this season's firm run which has taken them into the quarter-finals.

Their highest League positions were 3rd in Division I in 1892, 1921 and 1925. In 1909 they were Second Division champions and they finished runners-up in 1900, 1905, 1911 and 1935.

Bolton's best years were the 'twenties. How the champagne flowed as their team of all-stars returned with the F.A. Cup three times in seven years. Their team for the 1923 final was one fit for the opening of one of the world's finest stadiums. About 200,000 broke into Wembley that day and, those who managed to see the match, were spellbound by the play of such famous forwards as David Jack, the two Smiths — Joe and J.R. — and Ted Vizard.

The Trotters continued to produce outstanding teams right into the 'sixties even though their 1958 F.A. Cup success was the only trophy won. Players like Harold Hassall, Bobby Langton, Eddie Hopkinson, Nat Lofthouse and Willie Moir continued to adorn their side which maintain its First Division place until 1964.

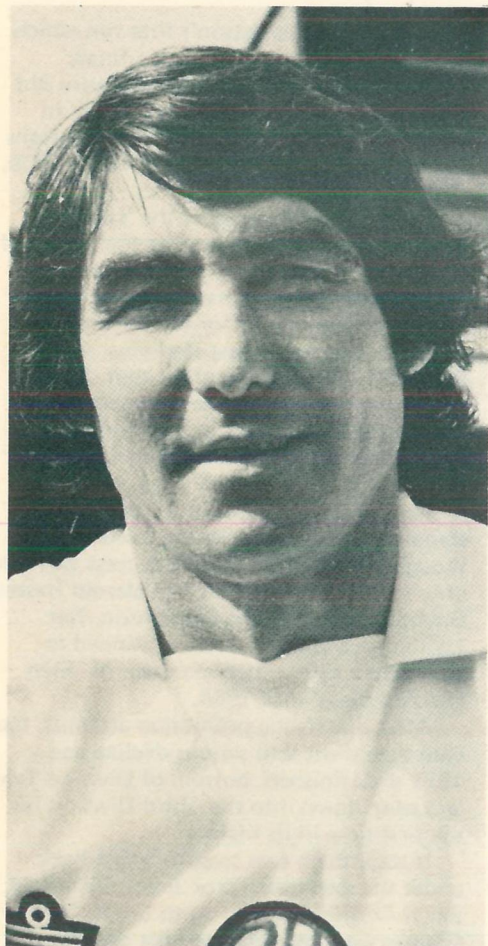
After one strong promotion attempt, the club then went into serious decline and in 1971 they finished bottom of Division Two and went down into the Third Division for the first time in its history.

It took them two seasons to get back, under the managership of Jimmy Armfield. When Armfield moved on to Leeds, Ian Greaves was appointed to take over. Ian Greaves spent his playing days with Manchester United, Lincoln and Oldham and met with success in his first managerial job at Huddersfield, taking the club back into the First Division. He initially joined Bolton as assistant-manager but, within weeks, he was in full control.

spotlight

on

TONY DUNNE



and, since then, he has been thoroughly enjoying a new lease of life.

"It's great here at Burden Park", enthuses Tony. "I'm really enjoying my football more than I have done for years!".

Not only did he extend his League career when joining Bolton — he also regained his place in the Republic of Ireland team! He now has 32 caps.

Back home in Ireland, Tony Dunne began his career with Shelbourne. Manchester United signed him in April 1960 and he was blooded in their senior team the following season.

His anticipation, his precisely timed tackles and his passing ability were features of his play which developed rapidly and, by the end of his first full season in United's team, earned him his first big international honour. He was picked for the Republic of Ireland against Austria.

Tony was a member of Manchester United's F.A. Cup winning team in 1963 and played in every match when the club won its greatest honour — the European Champion's Cup in 1968.

He also won two League Championship medals while at Old Trafford., but for all his 506 games he has only scored two goals in his career., the last being as far back as 1968.

STATISTICS

Born: DUBLIN

League record:

Man. Utd.	1960/61	3	—
	1961/62	28	—
	1962/63	25	—
	1963/64	40	—
	1964/65	42	—
	1965/66	40	1
	1966/67	40	—
	1967/68	37	1
	1968/69	33	—
	1969/70	33	—
	1970/71	35	—
	1971/72	35	—
	1972/73	24	—

Bolton	1973/74	10(2)	—
	1974/75	34	—
	1975/76	35	—
	1976/77	12	—

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Tony Dunne believed his playing days were over when Manchester United gave him a free transfer in 1973. Then, out of the blue, came an approach from Jimmy Armfield — then Bolton's manager — to join the Trotters



Back Row (left to right) Peter Thompson (inset), Peter Reid, Garry Jones, Roy Greaves, Mick Walsh, Brian Smith, Paul Jones (inset). **Middle Row (left to right)** John Byron, Sam Allardyce, Barry Siddell, Andy Slack, Peter Nicholson, Neil Whatmore, Alan Waldron (inset). **Front Row (left to right)** Hughie Curran, Steve Taylor, John Ritson, Willie Morgan, Tony Dunne.

JIM McDONAGH (Goalkeeper)

Jim has taken over from Barry Siddell, following his transfer to Sunderland. A former England youth international, Jim developed with Rotherham, making his League debut in 1970/71. He spent part of the 1972/73 campaign on loan to Manchester United and signed for Bolton this season.

PETER NICHOLSON (Defender)

An injury to John Ritson has given Peter a chance to return to the Bolton side. He made a few League appearances for Blackpool in 1970/71, but at the end of that season followed Jimmy Armfield, then commencing his managerial career, to Bolton.

PAUL JONES (Defender)

Paul, rather surprisingly, is Bolton's second highest scorer with eight goals. Three of those were from penalties but he also grabs useful goals when moving up for corners and free-kicks. A Bolton discovery, Paul has been in the side for five years.

SAM ALLARDYCE (Defender)

Sam is another product of the junior team. He made his debut in 1973/74 and became a regular when Don McAllister was sold to Tottenham about 18 months ago. He recently headed Bolton's winning goal against Fulham.

MICK WALSH (Defender)

Though Mick is not yet a regular member of the side, he has deputised well at both centre and left-back over the past three seasons when first-teamers have been hit by injuries.

ROY GREAVES (Midfield)

Roy, a one-time striker who twice led Bolton's scoring list, has been in the team for almost a decade. He has now made over 400 first-team appearances for the club.

WILLIE MORGAN (Midfield)

Willie who has 21 Scottish caps and was a member

of their World Cup team in 1974, joined the club last season after a brief spell at Burnley. He began his League career with Burnley in 1962/63 but left for Manchester United in 1968. He enjoyed seven seasons in the Red's team, skipping the side at one stage, but returned to Burnley at the beginning of last season.

PETER REID (Midfield)

Peter took his place in the side two seasons ago, made an immediate impression and he was ever-present last season.

ALAN WALDRON (Midfield)

Alan earned his first-team chance in 1970/71 and has on several occasions held a regular place.

NEIL WHATMORE (Forward)

Neil, who has scored six goals this season, is another player to come through the juniors. He made his League bow in 1972/73.

STEVE TAYLOR (Forward)

Steve, who had played only a few games before this season and who was loaned out to Port Vale last season, has been a huge success this term and is currently top scorer with 13 goals.

PETER THOMPSON (Forward)

Peter is one of the most experienced players in the game. A former England player — he won six caps — he started with Preston but really made his name after moving to Liverpool in 1963. Peter won two League Championship medals and played in Liverpool's F.A. Cup winning team of 1965 during a triumphant stay at Anfield. He signed for Bolton in 1973.

BRIAN SMITH (Forward)

Brian is yet another Bolton discovery. He got his League chance two seasons ago but is not yet a regular. He has been getting more opportunities this term, however, and is often named as substitute.

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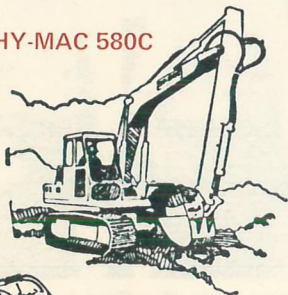
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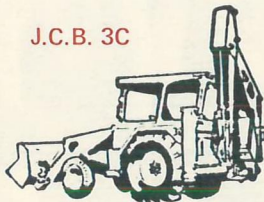
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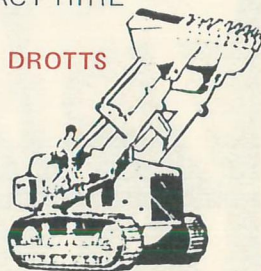
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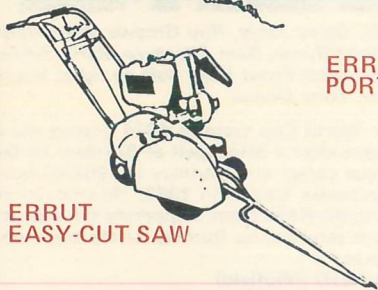
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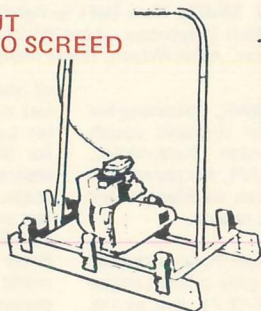
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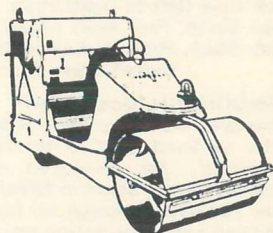
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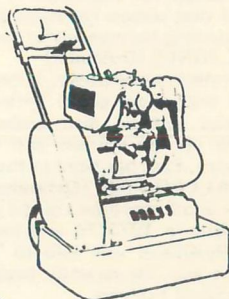
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affirmative. Two minutes from the end Spurs put the issue beyond doubt as Saints paid for a lack of defensive depth when a breakaway found the back line very square. The game is all about taking chances and if we had taken ours we would certainly have deserved at least one point.

Saints Res. 1 Hereford Res. 5 at The Dell Saturday 13th November.

Team (4-3-3) Stuart, Berry, Hart, Sharp, Coak, Dawtry, Baker, Shipley, Neville, Hill, Gilchrist.

It was a very young and relatively inexperienced Saints side which was outclassed by the smart moving Hereford team who were in control throughout. Saints went one down after only ten minutes when a lucky deflection broke to a Hereford full back whose cross was headed firmly home. The Saints could do little against the balanced play of their visitors who added a second goal just before the half time interval with another goal following an ill judged punched clearance by Bob Stuart which was headed back over his head into the net. Hereford went on to produce a nap hand in the second half while Saints gained their reward with a Graham Baker goal ten minutes from time. Although the young Saints team fought valiantly to the end they never really troubled a Hereford team who always had the necessary edge in all departments.

Warsash 2 Saints 'A' 1 at Warsash Saturday October 6th.

Team (4-3-3) Harfield, Sillence, Harwood, Snow, Baynham, Baker, Hart, Shipley, Docherty, Hill, Berry.

Saints saw this game as an ideal time to try out their youth team who were playing in the F.A. Youth Cup at Aldershot a few days

later. The game was played in far from ideal conditions and consequently neither side could establish any real pattern of play although the young Saints team had plenty to offer in hard work and resoluteness against a strong looking Warsash outfit. Following a somewhat predictable goal-less first half Warsash went into a two goal lead when they scored twice in the space of a few minutes towards the end of the game. Saints reduced the arrears through Lee Harwood and really put the pressure on in the dying minutes looking for the equalizer but the Warsash defence, for whom their goalkeeper had a tremendous game held firm to take both the points.

Aldershot 2 Saints 3 at The Recreation Ground (F.A. Youth Cup) Tuesday Oct. 9th.

Team (4-3-3) Harfield, Sillence, Harwood, Snow, Baynham, Baker, Hart, Shipley, Docherty, Hill, Pratt. Sub. Wheatcroft.

Both teams took time to settle down although the Saints youth team created a few half chances during the opening period but were deprived of any rewards for their efforts until just before half time when Richard Hill was brought down in the area and Graham Baker coolly slotted in the resultant penalty.

The Saints started the second half in fine style when Lee Harwood headed home from a corner kick but just when they looked as if they might cruise home, two defensive blunders in a five minute period midway through the second half let Aldershot get back on level terms. It took another Lee Harwood header to see the Saints youth team through to the next round of the Youth Cup in which our progress has been halted in the first round in the last few years. Saints always deserved to go in the hat for the next hurdle but were given no easy passage by an Aldershot side which helped to create a fine evenings entertainment.



HOW WE'RE DOING

Home League Attendances

	Aggregate	Average
Chelsea	196,701	28,100
SAINTS	130,883	21,814
Wolves	128,114	18,302
Fulham	106,375	17,729
Sheffield Utd.	122,040	17,434
Plymouth	125,436	15,680
Bolton	114,103	14,872
Blackpool	115,071	14,384
Nottm. For.	100,498	14,357
Cardiff	97,323	12,165
Luton Town	70,431	11,739
Millwall	80,816	11,545
Burnley	77,944	11,135
Charlton	74,583	10,655
Blackburn	73,863	10,552
Hull City	61,419	10,237
Hereford	59,805	9,968
Oldham	78,217	9,777
Notts. County	68,056	9,722
Bristol Rovers	64,056	8,007
Carlisle United	52,800	7,543
Orient	33,010	6,602

Leading scorers

(League & League Cup)

Finnieston 13, Swain 7, Wilkins (R) 4.
MacDougall 6, Channon 4, Holmes 4.
Sunderland 8, Gould 7, Daley 5.
Best 5, Mitchell 5, Barrett 4.
Hamilton 4, Woodward 3.
Mariner (now with Ipswich) 7, Hall 5.
Taylor 13, Jones (P) 8, Whatmore 6.
Walsh 11, Hatton 6.
Bowyer 7, Curran 6.
Evans 13, Showers 5, Alston 4.
Deans 5, Husband 5.
Lee 6, Seasman 6.
Smith 6, Noble 4.
Hales 18, Flanagan 8.
Svarc 8, Mitchell 3, Parkes 3.
Hawley 4.
McNeil 9, Spiring 6.
Halom 7, Shaw 5.
Vinter 4, Needham 3, Probert 3, Scanlon 3.
Bannister 7, Warboys 6.
Rafferty 10, Martin 3.
Cunningham 4, Hoadley 3.

LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Chelsea	14	6	1	0	16	9	4	1	2	10	9	22
Blackpool	15	4	1	3	11	9	3	3	1	13	8	18
Bolton	14	6	0	1	15	7	2	2	3	9	11	18
Wolves	14	4	1	2	18	9	2	4	1	14	9	17
Nottm. F.	14	5	1	1	25	11	1	3	3	5	7	16
Charlton	14	5	1	1	20	12	1	3	3	11	16	16
Oldham	14	5	3	0	16	8	1	1	4	5	11	16
Millwall	13	5	1	1	16	5	1	1	4	7	13	14
Sheffield Utd.	14	3	4	0	10	5	1	2	4	7	14	14
Blackburn	14	4	1	2	11	5	2	1	4	4	12	14
Notts. Co.	14	3	1	3	7	6	3	1	3	12	17	14
Hull	13	4	2	0	13	4	0	3	4	3	11	13
Cardiff	14	3	2	3	11	12	2	1	3	9	11	13
Plymouth	14	2	3	3	13	11	1	3	2	8	11	12
Fulham	13	2	3	1	8	5	1	3	3	9	13	12
Southampton	14	2	3	1	10	7	2	1	5	13	19	12
Bristol R.	14	3	3	2	13	11	1	1	4	4	9	12
Luton	14	3	1	2	10	9	2	1	5	11	16	12
Burnley	14	3	3	1	14	10	1	1	5	5	13	12
Carlisle	14	2	4	1	11	9	1	0	6	6	21	10
Hereford	14	2	1	3	9	14	1	2	5	12	20	9
Orient	12	1	1	3	5	5	1	3	3	6	11	8

Saints Matchday Factfinder

	DATE	OPPONENTS	Last Season	This Season	Lge Pos	1	2	3
	Aug 21	Carlisle Utd	1-1 18,304	1-2 18,695	—	Turner	Rodrigues	Peach
	25	Millwall	— —	0-0 13,554	—	Middleton	Rodrigues	Peach
	28	Hull City	0-0 6,342	0-4 7,774	21	Middleton	Rodrigues	Peach
	31	Charlton LC2	— —	1-1 13,371	—	Middleton	Rodrigues	Peach
Sept	4	Sheffield Utd	— —	1-1 17,809	21	Middleton	Rodrigues	Peach
	7	Charlton LC2 Replay		1-2 13,198	—	Middleton	Rodrigues	Peach
	11	Burnley	— —	0-2 9,116	21	Boulton	Rodrigues	Steele
	15	*Olympic Marseilles	1st leg	4-0 19,150	—	Turner	Rodrigues	Steele
	18	Nottingham Forest	0-3 14,245	1-1 23,006	22	Boulton	Rodrigues	Peach
	21	Napoli Anglo-Italian	1st leg	1-0 14,301	—	Boulton	Rodrigues	Mills
	24	Charlton Ath.	1-4 16,036	2-6 9,662	22	Boulton	Rodrigues	Peach ¹
	29	*Olympic Marseilles	2nd leg	1-2 17,834	—	Turner	Rodrigues	Steele
Oct	2	Fulham	2-1 23,575	4-1 29,489	21	Boulton	Rodrigues	Peach ^s
	5	Wolves	— —	6-2 21,286	16	Boulton	Rodrigues	Peach
	16	Hereford Utd	— —	1-0 24,910	17	Middleton	Rodrigues	Peach
	20	*Carrick Rangers	1st leg 2nd Rd.	5-2 6,500	—	Middleton	Rodrigues	Peach
	23	Luton Town	0-1 13,737	4-1 12,123	12	Montgomery	Rodrigues	Peach ²
	30	Chelsea	1-1 29,011	1-3 42,654	14	Montgomery	Rodrigues	Peach
Nov	3	*Carrick Rangers	2nd leg 2nd Rd.	4-1 15,130	—	Middleton	Mills	Peach
	6	Orient	3-0 17,230	2-2 16,974	13	Montgomery	Mills	Peach
	10	Cardiff City	— —	0-1 15,190	14	Montgomery	Mills	Peach
	14	Napoli Anglo Italian	2nd leg	0-4 60,000	—	Turner ^s	Mills	Peach
	20	Bolton (1)	0-0 20,363					
	27	Oldham	2-3 11,219					
Dec	4	Notts County	2-1 12,571					
	7	Chelsea	4-1 21,277					
	11	Blackburn (2)	1-1 8,786					
	18	Blackpool	3-1 21,758					
	27	Plymouth	0-1 25,305					
	29	Bristol Rovers	3-0 19,556					
Jan	1	Orient	1-2 6,332					
	8	F.A. Cup (3)	— —					
	15	Millwall	— —					
	22	Carlisle Utd	0-1 6,977					
	29	F. A. Cup (4)	— —					
Feb	5	Hull City	1-0 18,272					
	12	Sheffield Utd	— —					
	19	Burnley	— —					
	26	Notts Forest (5)	1-3 12,677					
Mar	5	Charlton Ath.	3-2 23,686					
	15	Fulham	0-1 8,731					
	19	Wolves (6)						
	26	Hereford						
Apr	2	Luton Town	3-1 13,885					
	8	Plymouth	1-0 19,000					
	9	Bristol Rovers	0-2 11,834					
	11	Cardiff City	— —					
	16	Bolton	0-3 9,188					
	23	Oldham Ath.	3-2 14,294					
	30	Notts County	0-0 8,495					
May	7	Blackburn Rovers	2-1 13,279					
	14	Blackpool	3-4 9,564					
	21	F.A. Cup Final	1-0 100,000					

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OTHER SAINTS TEAMS

**Norwich Res. 0 Saints Res. 1 at Carrow Road
Wednesday October 3rd.**

Team (4-3-3) Stuart, Mills, Andruszewski, Arnold, Coak, Baker, Gilchrist, Crabbe, Neville, Hebbard, Hayes.

Saints were anxious to keep on the winning trail following their single goal win over high placed Birmingham the previous Saturday and after twenty five minutes "Smiler" Hebbard worked his way past three Norwich defenders to score a fine individual goal and put the Saints well on top right up to half time. After the interval the Canaries began to get on song and put the Saints defence under a certain amount of pressure only to be frustrated by the organisation of a Saints back line which gave the Norwich attack very little space. The final result brought another two points to add to our combination tally and providing we can produce this same kind of form consistently there is no reason why a considerable climb up the league table could not be anticipated.

**Spurs Res. 2 Saints Res. 0 at White Hart Lane
Saturday 6th November.**

Team (4-3-3) Middleton, Sharp, Phillipson-Masters, Arnold, Andruszewski, Dawtry, Gilchrist, Crabbe, Neville, Hebbard, Hayes.

Saints dominated the opening period of play but like the remainder of the game they failed to make the most from the chances they created. The half time score sheet was blank with Saints certainly having had a greater part of the play in the first half. Ten minutes into the second half and Spurs were in front when ex. first teamer Chris Jones picked up a deflected clearance to head home. Saints then piled on the pressure and besides missing some gilt edged chances also had two penalty denials go against them which on another occasion could have both been given in the

"IN OFF THE POST"

A page which gives you the opportunity to let us have any news, views or topics which you consider might be of interest.



52 Brookwood Road Millbrook

Dear Sir,

Several occasions throughout the latter part of last season and again this season the club have stressed the importance of giving strong support to the Saints — Laurie McMenemy said that in return for this support, he would give value for money.

At the Dell on Wednesday, November 3rd, for the match against Carrick Rangers, the supporters were definately conned — for after paying FIRST TEAM PRICES they were told they would be watching the reserves. I believe to show faith to your loyal supporters you should nominate a league match anytime this season and charge for that game, RESERVE PRICES.

Yours Sincerely,

A. Hinton.

The facts are that it was known well in advance that Jim Montgomery, Hugh Fisher and Ted MacDougall were all ineligible and when players like Steve Middleton, Peter Osgood and Bobby Stokes who have played 26 first team games between them take their places, they can hardly be classed as reserves. The other two players who did not play were Peter Rodrigues who was reported in the press as being doubtful and Mike Channon who was suffering from carbuncles and on whose fitness a late decision was made. Both these players were of course kept out of the next league game through the same injuries. So be realistic Mr. Hinton, lets have constructive criticism.

37 Wychwood Grove Chandlers Ford.

Dear Sir,

Congratulations on the new P.A. System, Standing on the East Stand Terrace our enjoyment of the Orient match was greatly enhanced by being able to hear every word from the speakers for the first time since I started following the Saints.

May I suggest that the club turns its attention to two other aspects of 'Service to the Spectator' where the Dell seems to

perhaps fall short of other grounds.

Firstly, I would like to see the turnstile attendants trained to accept cash and give change more efficiently and thus enable the present deplorably slow movement of the queues into the ground rectified.

Secondly, the use of the white-coated attendants (or additional stewards) inside the ground to ensure that the gangways are kept clear and for crowd-packing, when necessary, would avoid the present chaos whenever the gate exceeds 20,000. By the tactful persuasion of stewards, equipped with, perhaps, megaphones and a sense of humour, the standing supporter could be encouraged to move down the terraces or the later arrivals made aware of the space that is invariably available nearer the front.

I trust that these comments will be received in the constructive spirit in which they are made and the comfort of the spectator improved at those games which attract above-average crowds.

Yours faithfully, B.G. Dolbear.

Thanks for taking the time to write Mr. Dolbear. The P.A. system although we are still experimenting in various parts of the ground does seem to be a big improvement. With regard to the turnstile operators being trained to give change more efficiently — I think this comes down to the public being able to do their bit by having the right money available, this would certainly help speed up the entrance to the ground. Your final point about gangways being kept clear was already being looked into and it could well be that for next season barrier rails may be installed either side of each gangway which would then also allow better crowd packing when necessary.

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TOPIC FOR TODAY

with Peter East
Sports Writer of
The Southern Evening Echo



Something struck me as I walked into the Motorway Services on the M4, on my way home from Saints' match with Cardiff City last week — and it wasn't a flying bottle!

It was just the thought that the people who stay at home and hear all those terrible stories about football fans should perhaps count to ten before believing every word.

There was I, feeling in need of a shave — it was around midnight and the five o'clock shadow was turning into a big black cloud — and trying to find someone else who looked in a similar state of "sword edge" neglect. It wasn't easy.

I don't expect every word I ever write to be believed and I have already heard, after various matches, that some people hadn't been to the same game as me.

Come to think of it, there are a few around whom I wouldn't particularly want to be at the same game as me anyway.

But this crowd on their way home from Cardiff can be at the same game as me any time.

The vast majority were from Saints' Travelers Club, which comes under the wing of the club's commercial manager Malcolm Price and is run in a very capable manner by Travel Manager Jess Fielder who is another of those people you can see on the way home in the early hours without looking as if he needs a shave!

But one of the classic cases of orderly travel cropped up at a rather unlikely venue — the

refreshment bar at Crewe Station.

That was after Saints' away game with Burnley and, as with the Cardiff match, the supporters were making their long journey home after seeing their team lose.

British Rail staff don't talk to members of the Press without prior permission from the regional press office concerned, so I didn't take the trouble to ask the lady behind the counter for her exclusive opinion of Southampton travel club supporters.

That opinion came without any prompting at all as the good lady commented: "I wish Southampton were playing up here every week."

And a lady in a refreshment bar at Crewe Station, where the big football area of the North-West is linked with London, must see a lot more fans than she can serve hot dinners. There was the trip home from Hull, too, where a few red and white clad fans boarded a train carrying beer were told they couldn't take their alcohol on the train.

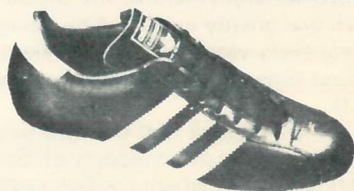
Some would have rebelled at the thought of giving up something they had paid good money for — but no. They accepted the travel club ruling, stopped carrying the cans and went along quietly.

This attitude can do a tremendous amount of good for the club and the game and one can only hope that the good behaviour of the majority will cease to be tarnished by the unseemly antics of the few.

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Top Left

Orient's Laurie Cunningham levels the score at 1-1 in the Same Game. Both teams went on to score a further goal each to give a final scoreline of 2-2

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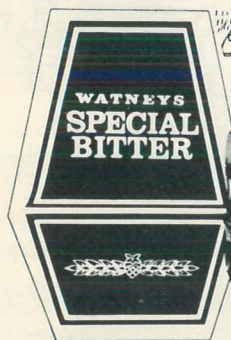
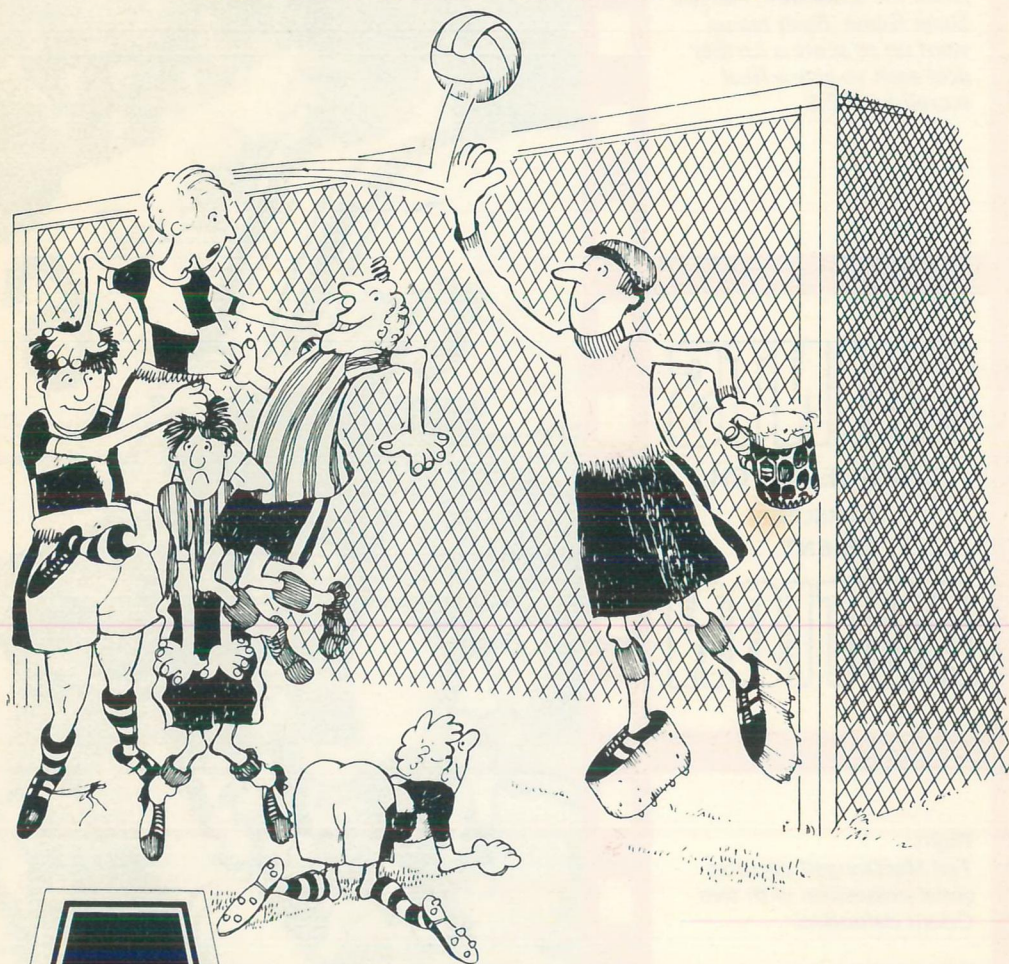
Ted MacDougall disputes aerial possession with two Orient defenders.

Bottom Left

Ted MacDougall opens Saints account after only three minutes of our drawn game with Orient in our last League action at the Dell.



WATNEYS SPECIAL



The Special Special.

club news

Mike Berry Saints versatile reserve team player will be leaving us in January to go down under where he will join forces with the Western Suburbs club in Sydney, Australia. Mike with two first team games to his credit, sees this as an opportunity of possibly setting up a new life for himself and his wife to be, following their marriage a few days before flying off to the sunshine and beaches of Australia. We all extend our best wishes to him for the future.



**MIKE
BERRY**

Box Office Manager Brian Truscott tells us that stand seats for the Saints game at Plymouth on Boxing Day December 26th are now on sale in the Booking Office and can be purchased at £1.75 each. It certainly is advisable to get yourself a ticket if you are going down to Plymouth because all the signs are that seats for this match are going to be at a premium.

Saints Manager Lawrie McMenemy together with Ted MacDougall, Nick Holmes and Hugh Fisher recently made a visit to the Shaftesbury Society home at Bournemouth. The home which houses close on twenty lads all of whom suffer from Muscular Dystrophy and who impressed the Saints quartet so much that a visit to The Dell for the lads has been arranged next Wednesday November 24th.

A day later on the 25th Saints first team squad travel to the Army H.Q. at Tidworth to go through a complete days training in front of the eager Army coaches who will then be able to ask questions on various aspects of the coaching and training procedures adopted at professional level. Just another example of Saints getting around to meet the People and being constructive in doing so.

Brian O'Neil Saints popular midfield player of a few years back made a brief visit to The Dell last week to see some of his old team mates. After moving on from Huddersfield he became player/manager at Bideford Town

in Devon who operate in the Southern League. Brian appears very happy and contented and wishes to be remembered to all his many friends still in this area.

NEW SUPPORTERS SOCIAL CLUB

Saints new Supporters Social Club due now to be opened in December has been on restricted membership basis up to now. Following Season ticket holders and pools agents who have had their opportunity to join, membership will now be open to other persons who feel that they would use the club on a regular basis during the week. Applications can be made in person to the Saints Shop at The Dell which will be open from 7.00 p.m. — 9.00 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 23rd, 24th and 25th November to receive personal applications.

During the course of the season our friends from the Southern Evening Echo provide us with many action photographs from Saints games and we would like to extend our thanks to them for their continued co-operation.

A further reminder that our home game against Chelsea originally scheduled for January 3rd of next year has been brought forward and will now be played on December 7th K.O. 7.30 p.m. As for all other league games at The Dell there are no seats available other than our season ticket holders. Admission to the terraces will be in the usual way by payment at the turnstiles on the evening of the match.

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COMBINATION Fixtures / Results

Date	Venue	Opponents	F-A	Scorers
Aug 28	(H)	Swindon Town	1-1	Gilchrist
Sept 1	(A)	Luton Town	1-0	Stokes
11	(H)	Bristol City	1-5	Neville
14	(A)	Oxford United	1-2	Hayes
18	(A)	West Ham	4-2	Berry, Neville, Baker, Hayes
25	(H)	Ipswich Town	1-2	Baker
Oct 9	(H)	Crystal Palace	2-1	Stokes 2
12	(A)	Q.P.R.	0-3	
23	(H)	Leicester City	4-2	Hayes 3, Berry
26	(H)	Arsenal	1-2	Andruszewski
30	(H)	Birmingham	2-1	Osgood, Gilchrist
Nov 3	(A)	Norwich City	1-0	Hebbard
6	(A)	Tottenham H.	0-2	
13	(H)	Hereford Utd.	1-5	Baker
20	(A)	Chelsea		
27	(H)	Reading		
Dec 4	(A)	Birmingham C.		
11	(H)	Orient		
18	(A)	Bristol R.		
21	(A)	Plymouth		
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Jan 1	(H)	Cardiff City		
8		F.A. Cup 3		
18	(H)	Luton Town		
22	(A)	Arsenal		
Feb 5	(A)	Swindon Town		
12	(H)	Oxford United		
19	(A)	Bristol City		
26	(H)	West Ham		
Mar 5	(A)	Ipswich Town		
12	(H)	Q.P.R.		
16	(A)	Reading		
19	(A)	Crystal Palace		
26	(H)	Fulham		
Apr 2	(A)	Leicester City		
9	(H)	Plymouth		
11	(A)	Cardiff City		
16	(H)	Tottenham H.		
27	(A)	Hereford Utd.		
30	(H)	Chelsea		
May 3	(H)	Norwich City		
7	(A)	Orient		

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